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Readers share their favorite recipes!

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Trim a tree naturally

With a deft hand, en eye for color, line and proportion, you can fashion any of the four new-each-season table trees shown here. Our mini-forest takes a bit of shaping to achieve its natural look. Start with a young tree; carefully trim out unwanted branches and clean trunk of needles and shoots.

Nature's gifts from the sea can also trim a tree. Our finished tree stands about 22 inches high and measures 14 inches in diameter. For this size, use half of a 40-inch diameter circle of 1-inch mesh wire. Cut a paper pattern first, then lay it on wire; cut with tin snips or wire cutter. Shape into cone, making a double thickness of wire. Cover cone with a layer of cotton batting by attaching to wire cone with glue or tying with thread. Using points of scissors, make holes through cotton for light string. Working from inside and starting at top of cone, insert a light through each hole. Use half a pipe cleaner to attach light cord to cone so bulbs will stay in place. Cover entire cone with seashells, gluing one area at a time.

Bonsai trees

Materials: Good material for bonsai can be found in many of our native trees, shrubs, and evergreens. Small pines, junipers, broadleaf evergreens with small leaves, and deciduous trees also with small leaves are ideal to work with.

Directions: Begin with a young tree, preferably one that already has an interesting character such as a twisted trunk or gnarled roots or branches.

Carefully trim out unwanted branches; clean trunk of needles and shoots.

You can bend the tree into the desired shape. Insert soft copper wire — pliable and rustproof — into the soil close to the trunk of the tree. Wind it up and around both trunk and branches being careful not to damage the bark.

After the tree is pruned and shaped, select a shallow container in good proportion, that has drainage holes. Using a pointed dowel or stick, jab soil around roots lightly into the soil ball.

Cut out taproot and two thirds of the smaller roots. Cover drainage holes with wire mesh. Spread a layer of light, porous, moisture-holding soil; set the tree in place. Use dowel to work remaining soil around and over roots. Set potted tree in pan of water for a few minutes and also water it gently from the top.

Bonsai are dwarfed but natural trees. After the holidays, you can grow them outdoors under natural conditions.

'CHRISTMAS SWEETS' RECIPES from our readers

Watch for winners of our contest!

Recipes under this heading are a sampling of some of the entries in our Christmas Sweets Recipe Contest. Readers were asked to share their favorite cookie or candy recipes, and the winner, to be announced in the Dec. 19 issue of "Christmas Ideas," will receive a 20-volume library of Better Homes and Gardens® cookbooks. So watch these special sections for more recipes. "Christmas Ideas" will be coming your way as part of your paper on Dec. 5, Dec. 12, and Dec. 19, too.

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Holiday Brandy Balls

2 7¼ oz. boxes of vanilla wafers — blend or roll into fine crumbs (3½ cups ground)
½ cup honey
⅓ cup of brandy
⅓ cup white rum
1# shelled walnuts, finely ground, (about 3½ cups)
Granulated sugar

Mix together vanilla wafer crumbs, honey, brandy, rum, and ground walnuts. Shape into round bite-size balls, roll into sugar. Wrap each ball in foil or plastic wrap. Store in a container; flavor improves with age.

Makes about 60 balls — serve after dinner with coffee.

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Tree with freshly cut greens, stands about three feet high. The burst of red carnations, spilling over sprigs of variegated holly, add to the effect. To copy, anchor Oasis (foam that comes in rounds or bricks which can be saturated with water) to an aviary wire cone. Cover in tree fashion with boxwood and sprigs of variegated holly. To trim, contour the tree with an outline of short-stemmed red or white carnations. When all greens and flowers are in place, wire green peppers and mushrooms to the tree with wooden picks that measure about three inches in length.

If you've gone along for years thinking artichokes are only for eating, then you'll be amazed at our exotic tree. Anchor a cone of Oasis to an inverted stoneware pot with green floral tape; cover with aviary wire. Insert 2-inch wood picks into artichokes and stick opposite ends into cone. Wire on shiny balls, green string beans, and sections of cauliflower.

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Make your household safe for the holidays

Every year, the holiday season festivities are marred by thousands of needless accidents — which commonly happen while families are decorating their homes in a mad rush, finishing that last-minute baking, or clearing away the snow just before the guests arrive. Right now is a good time to make sure your home will be safe for the holidays. Here are some tips from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and others.

Picking the tree

If you buy a real tree, make sure it's fresh. The higher the moisture content of your tree, the less likely it is to dry out and cause a fire. Here's how to check a Christmas tree's freshness:

• Cut it yourself, if possible, at a tree farm. If you buy a tree, check freshness by testing the brittleness of the branches. (If they snap off when you bend them, the tree is too dry. A fresh tree's branches will bend but not break.) Also note the amount of shedding needles since excessive shedding is another sign of dryness. Don't rely on color as a guide to freshness — trees are sometimes sprayed green to improve their appearance.

• Keep your tree outside in water until it's time to decorate it. Then, just before you bring it in, cut the butt end diagnally one or two inches above the original cut so the tree can easily "drink" the water in its stand.

• Place the tree in a sturdy, stable stand with a wide base. To stabilize a large tree, fasten it at two points to the wall or ceiling with thin wire.

• Fill the stand with water until the cut end of the trunk is covered, and keep the water at this level.

• Place your tree away from heat sources. Don't rely on a do-it-yourself flameproofing product — applying it correctly at home is virtually impossible.

• Dispose of the tree when the needles start falling profusely.

• Purchase plastic trees only is they're made of fire-resistant materials. Remember that although fire-resistant materials won't catch fire easily, they can burn, so keep plastic trees away from heat sources.

Choosing and using lights

Holiday lighting can be beautiful, but don't overdo it by overloading the circuit.

• Purchase lights that have been checked for safety. Look for the Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) label.

• Check indoor and outdoor lights before you use them. Repair or throw away lights with frayed or exposed wires, loose connections, and broken or cracked sockets. To reduce the chances of damage, handle lights carefully during unpacking, decorating, and repacking.

• Fasten the lights securely to the tree and don't let the bulbs touch the needles or branches.

• Don't put more than three sets of lights on one extension cord.

• Keep all electrical cords away from the tree's water supply.

• Don't attach electric lights to a metal tree because that might result in a serious shock. Instead, use colored floodlights, positioned out of the reach of children.

• Don't use indoor lights outdoors. Instead, use outdoor lights that are weatherproofed and designed for outdoor use. When the season is over, remove the outdoor lights; although they're weatherproof, they aren't designed to withstand prolonged exposure.

• Turn off the lights when you leave home or go to bed.

• Never use candles on a tree or near flammable materials. Keep candles away from children.

Trimming the tree

Trimmings and ornaments used on trees or elsewhere in the home should be noncombustible or flame resistant.

• Place breakable ornaments or those with small parts on upper branches where children or pets can't reach them or knock them off.

• Keep mistletoe and holly berries out of reach of small children because the berries can be poisonous if swallowed. (If that happens, call your physi-

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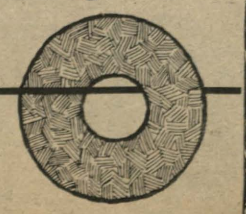

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Chocolate Truffles

1¼ cups semi-sweet chocolate pieces
Dash of salt
½ cup canned sweetened condensed milk
1 tsp. vanilla or 1½ tsps. rum flavoring

Melt chocolate in double boiler. Remove from heat. Add salt and condensed milk. Beat by hand or with electric beater until smooth and blended. Stir in flavoring. Pour into buttered 7"x3"x2" loaf pan. Refrigerate 24 hours to mellow. Cut into ¾" by ½" pieces. Store in tightly covered metal box. Makes about 1 pound.

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Pink Cloud Cookies

Combine until crumbly:
1½ c. flour
½ c. brown sugar
¾ c. butter or margarine
Press in bottom of 9''x13''x2'' pan. Bake at 325° for 25 min.

Combine:
2 envs. Knox gelatin
½ c. cold water
Let stand to soften.

Combine in saucepan:
2 c. sugar
½ c. water
Boil for 2 minutes. Stir in softened gelatin, until dissolved. Add:
2 drops of red food color Beat for 10 minutes.

Add:
1 tsp. vanilla
½ c. chopped nuts
Pour over baked crust. Sprinkle with coconut. Cool before cutting.

Ruth Noland
San Jose

Apricot Fudge

2¼ cups sugar
½ cup evaporated milk
½ cup hot water
1 tablespoon light corn syrup
⅛ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup chopped dried apricots
1 cup chopped walnuts or pecans
Combine sugar, half of the evaporated milk and water, corn syrup and salt in a saucepan. Stir until well blended and bring to boil over moderate heat. Boil 5 minutes. Add remaining evaporated milk and water. Cook to 238 degrees F., washing down sides of pan as necessary. Remove from heat. Add vanilla, apricots and nuts; beat until thickened and creamy. Pour into a well-greased 8x8x2 inch pan. Cool and cut into squares.

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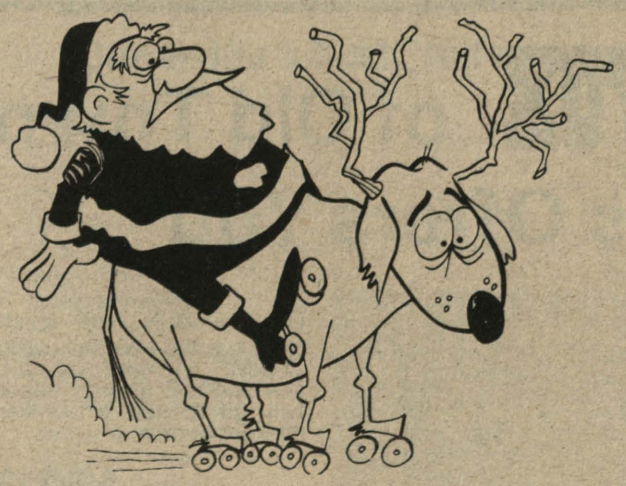

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Tuckaways for toys

Picking up toys can be fun for kids if they have a tote to tuck them in. For the clown bag, you'll need half yard burlap, sturdy cotton, or similar fabric, scraps of colored felt to use for appliques, three green and three red ball fringe segments. double-fold bias tape in a compatible color, fabric cement, scissors, and pinking or scalloping shears.

Start by folding fabric in half, selvage to selvage. Bind the side seams with bias tape to within 1½ inches from top of the bag. Leave the top open, then turn right side out and press. Turn under about an inch across the top to form casing; sew on machine.

Sew two pieces of bias tape closed to form ties, allowing an ample amount for tying. Thread through the casing in opposite directions and tie the ends together on each side. Cut out clown applique from felt and glue in place with fabric cement. Use ball fringe for both buttons and hair.

For jumbo bag, above right, cut burlap 36x34 inches. Glue figure appliques and letters to top side; seam edges of bag, then hem top two inches. Thread cord or elastic through the top hem.

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'CHRISTMAS SWEETS' RECIPES
From our readers

Pumpkin Cookies

Mix till creamy:
½ cup margarine
½ cup softened shortening
¾ cup granulated sugar
⅓ cup brown sugar

Add:
1 cup pumpkin (or ½ 16 oz. can)
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Beat till light and fluffy.

Sift together in separate bowl:
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon gr. cinnamon
½ teaspoon gr. nutmeg
½ teaspoon gr. cloves
¼ teaspoon gr. allspice

Soak 1 cup raisins in hot water for 5 minutes. Drain well. Add and stir well. Drop by rounded teaspoon on greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 for 10-15 minutes. Cool on wire rack.

Makes 3 doz.

Barbi Berry

Household safety...

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cian or the Poison Control Center immediately.)

• Use lead-free tinsel. Discard trimmings if you aren't sure of their contents.

Using your fireplace and stove

Fireplaces are particularly popular and kitchen stoves particularly busy during the holidays and both frequently cause serious accidents.

When you use your fireplace:

• Remove all decorations from the area and be sure the flue is open.

• Keep a screen in front of the grate whenever a fire is burning.

• Don't burn Christmas wrappings or evergreen boughs. They ignite quickly and may throw off sparks and burning debris.

• Keep children away from fire salts that produce a multicolored effect when thrown on a wood fire. They contain heavy metals and if eaten can cause serious gastrointestinal problems.

To use your stove safely during your holiday baking spree:

• Don't wear a garment with loose sleeves that could catch on fire as you're reaching across the stove top for a pan.

• To remove a pan, use a pot holder and not a dangling towel that could catch on fire.

Selecting safe toys

One of the greatest joys of Christmas is watching children unwrap and play with their new toys. But some toys can be dangerous so keep safety in mind when you shop.

• Check every new toy before you buy (and every old toy around the house) for possible hazards.

• Buy toys that match the age, skills, and abilities of the child.

• Follow the manufacturer's advice — usually on a toy package's label — about age and use.

• Avoid toys that produce extremely loud noises since they can damage hearing. Likewise, don't buy propelled objects because they could injure an eye. (Pass the advice along to grandparents, and aunts and uncles, too.)

• Show your child how to use toys properly and safely.

• Supervise the use of any electrical or chemical toy.

• Select a safe toy box or chest. If there's a hinged lid, be sure it's lightweight, has a flat inner surface, and has a device to hold the lid open so it won't slam shut on fingers.

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Soft Whole Wheat Pretzels

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1½ tablespoons toasted sesame seed
- 1 package active dry yeast
- 2½ cups milk
- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ cup cooking oil
- 1½ teaspoons salt
- 3 cups whole wheat flour
- 3 tablespoons salt
- 8 cups boiling water
- 1 slightly beaten egg white
- 1 tablespoon water
- Coarse salt or toasted sesame seed

In mixing bowl combine 2 cups of the all-purpose flour, the 1½ tablespoons sesame seed, and yeast. In saucepan heat milk, sugar, cooking oil, and 1½ teaspoons salt just till warm (115° to 120°). Add to dry mixture. Beat at low speed of electric mixer for ½ minute, scraping sides of bowl constantly. Beat 3 minutes at high speed. By hand, stir in whole wheat flour and enough remaining all-purpose flour to make a moderately stiff dough. Knead on floured surface till smooth, about 5 minutes. Shape into a ball. Place in greased bowl, turning once. Cover; let rise till double, about 50 minutes. Punch down; turn out on floured surface. Cover; let rest 10 minutes.

Roll dough to a 12-inch square. Cut into 12x½-inch strips. Roll each strip to a rope 16 inches long. Shape into pretzels by forming a knot and looping ends through. Let rise, uncovered, 20 minutes. Dissolve 3 tablespoons salt in boiling water. Use slotted spoon to place 1 or 2 pretzels at a time into boiling water. Boil for 1 minute on each side. Remove to paper toweling with slotted spoon. Pat dry. Arrange pretzels ½ inch apart on well-greased baking sheets. Brush with a mixture of egg white and 1 tablespoon water. Sprinkle pretzels lightly with coarse salt or sesame seed. Bake at 350° till golden brown, about 25 minutes. Makes 24.

Minty Chocolate Malt Mix

- 2 cups chocolate-flavored malted milk powder
- ½ cup white butter mints, chopped
- 3 cups nonfat dry milk powder
- ½ cup sweetened cocoa mix

In blender container or food processor combine 1 cup malted milk powder and mints. Blend till mints are finely chopped, about 1 minute. Turn into mixing bowl. Add remaining 1 cup malted milk powder, nonfat dry milk powder, and cocoa mix. Stir well. Store in airtight container. Makes 5¾ cups.

Directions to pack with mix: For each serving, mix ¼ cup mix with ¾ cup boiling water in a cup. Stir to dissolve mixture.

Sunflower Cheese Crisps

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt

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Young and old alike enjoy turning out Christmas bounty together. To make gifty pomander balls, select firm oranges, lemons, or limes and stud them with cloves to cover (use a skewer to start holes). Mix 1 tablespoon each ground cinnamon and powdered orrisroot; put 1 heaping teaspoon into a bag along with one of the fruits. Shake bag to coat well. Wrap loosely and store in a dry place till the fruit shrinks and hardens. This will take from three to four weeks. Turn every few days. Tie with colored ribbon. Makes three.

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'CHRISTMAS SWEETS' RECIPES
From our readers

Potato Chip Cookies

1 cup butter (2 sticks)
½ cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 cups flour
½ cup potato chips (crushed)
½ cup walnuts (chopped)

Cream butter, sugar and vanilla together. Add potato chips and nuts. Stir in flour. Roll into small balls the size of walnuts. Press flat on cookie sheet with bottom of glass which has been greased and dipped in sugar. Bake at 350° 16 minutes. Makes 3½ dozen.

Beverlee A. Howell
San Jose

Christmas Snow Drop Squares

2 cups sugar
Butter size of walnut
1 cup small gumdrops
1 cup buttermilk
1 tsp. vanilla

Combine sugar and buttermilk, cook slowly to soft ball stage. Remove from heat; add butter and vanilla. Beat until slightly hardened. Add gumdrops. Pour into buttered dish. Cool, cut into squares.

Variations — chopped nuts, cocoanut, or place chocolate chips on top or in for swirled look.

Julie Gopp
Milpitas

Munchies...

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¼ cup butter or margarine
1 cup small curd cottage cheese
¼ cup shelled sunflower seeds

In a mixing bowl combine flour and salt. Cut in butter or margarine with pastry blender till mixture resembles fine crumbs. Beat in cottage cheese with electric mixer till smooth. Stir in sunflower seeds. Divide dough in half. Roll half of dough out on lightly floured surface to 12x16-inch rectangle, 1/16 inch thick. Cut in 2-inch squares. Prick squares several times with a fork and place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 325° for 15 to 20 minutes or till lightly browned and crisp. Repeat with second half of dough. Makes 8 dozen crackers.

Mexican Munch

1 3-ounce can French-fried onions
2 cups bite-size shredded corn squares
1 4-ounce can potato sticks
¾ cup Spanish peanuts
¼ cup butter or margarine, melted
½ of a 1⅛-ounce package taco seasoning mix

In a 13x9x2-inch pan combine onions, cereal, potato sticks, and peanuts. Drizzle with butter and stir well. Sprinkle seasoning mix evenly over mixture, mixing well. Bake in a 300° oven for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cool and store in an airtight container. Makes 7 cups.

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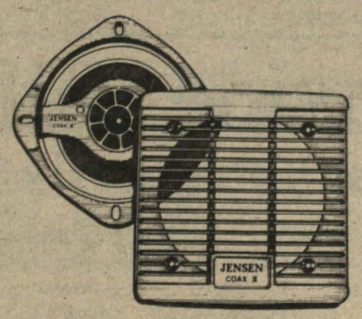

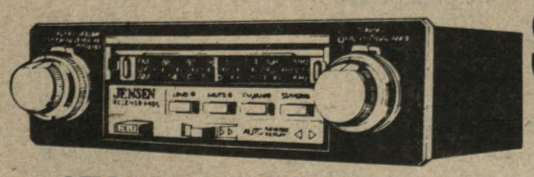

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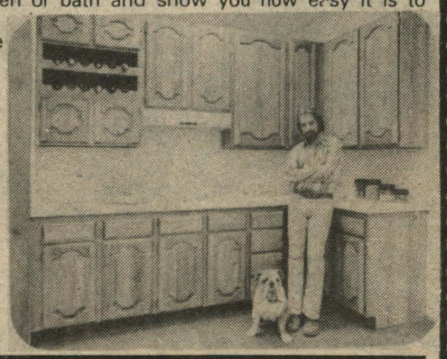

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• Transform your slide or negative into a one-of-a-kind *Jigsaw puzzle.* Present the puzzle unassembled so the recipient won't know what the picture is until it is completed. The puzzles are available through mail-order companies in simple or complicated versions or you can make your own puzzle from layers of smooth cardboard. Mount a photograph onto layers of thin cardboard or a piece of heavy cardboard, then cut in jigsaw fashion.

• *Photo T-shirts* can best be created from slides. Kids like pictures of themselves, especially action shots such as bike riding, swimming, or participating in their favorite sport. Many shirt styles and sizes are available through mail-order houses.

• *Posters* can be made by blowing up photos, usually to 2x3 feet. Children as well as college students like scenic shots or giant close-ups of themselves, their best friends, or

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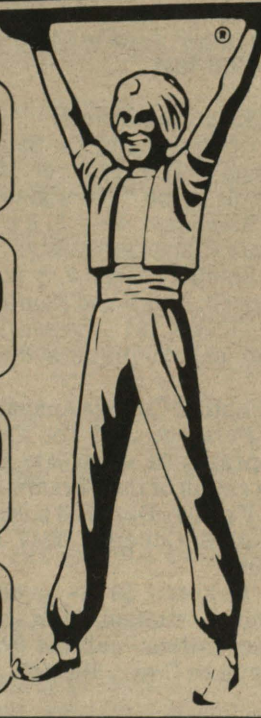

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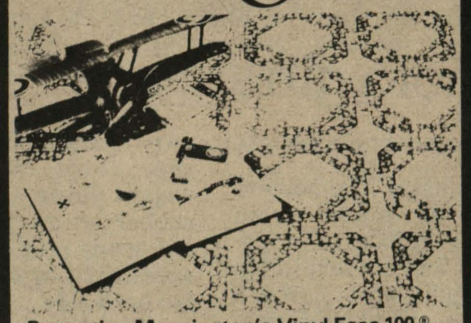

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Holiday entertainment close to home

By LISA MEREDITH-COKER

Holiday entertainment will be in full supply throughout Santa Clara County next month. There will be something for everyone, from musicals, concerts, and ballet, to dramatic nativity plays, pantomime, and "sky shows." Among them will be the traditional favorites, like the Nutcracker Ballet, right along with innovative varieties, like the Phantasy Company's presentations involving audience participation.

All events are close to home, with prices ranging from free to $9.50.

Following is a round-up of some of the delightful forms of entertainment that await you — right in our own county.

Christmas Concerts, Chorales, Choirs, Singalongs

• **Christmas Song Festival**
Sponsored by the Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Department.
Saturday, Dec. 15, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Santa Clara Community and Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara (near Kaiser Hospital).
For children ages 6 through 12. Children are invited to bring their own instruments along for accompaniment. Prior to the sing-along, there will be lessons in making an instrument to use during the song festival as well.
For ticket information, and reservations, call the Santa Clara Community and Recreation Center, 984-3527.

• **Chorale for Christmas**
Performed by the De Anza Chorale and Vintage Singers.
Friday, Dec. 7, 8 p.m., Flint Center, De Anza College, 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino.
Tickets: $3 — adults; $1.50 — seniors, students. For more information, or to make reservations, call 996-4832.

• **Christmas Concert**
Performed by the Santa Clara Chorale, and featuring "The Play of Herod," "A Ceremony of Carols," and "Christmas Oratorio."
Saturday, Dec. 8, 8 p.m., Santa Clara Mission, Santa Clara University.
Sunday, Dec. 9, 8 p.m., First Congregational Church, Leigh and Hamilton, San Jose.
Tickets: $4 — general admission; $3 — seniors, students. Available at the doors.

• **Foothill College Annual Christmas Concert**
Performed by the Foothill Choir, Chorale, and Fanfares (a vocal jazz group). Traditional carols, narration of the Christmas Story.
Friday, Dec. 7, 8 p.m., Foothill Campus Center, Foothill College, 12345 El Monte Rd., Los Altos Hills.
Tickets: $3 — general admission; $1.50 — seniors, students. For more information, or ticket reservations, call the Foothill College Community Services Dept., 948-2587.

• **Christmas Concert**
Joint production by the students at San Jose City College and Evergreen Valley College.
Friday, Dec. 14, 8 p.m., Montgomery Hall, Evergreen Valley College, 3095 Yerba Buena Ave., San Jose.
Free admission. For reservations, call San Jose Community College Community Services Dept., 298-5064.

• **Singing Christmas Tree**
Performed by the Bethel Church Choir.
Friday, Dec. 7, Sunday, Dec. 9, 4 p.m., 8 p.m., Center for the Performing Arts, 255 Almaden Blvd., San Jose.
For ticket information and reservations, call the San Jose Box Office, 246-1160.

• **Mendelssohn's St. Paul**
Performed by the West Valley Chorale, 90-voice choir.
Saturday, Dec. 8, 8 p.m., St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 13601 Saratoga Ave., Saratoga.
Tickets: $4.75 — adults; $3.50 — seniors, students. For ticket reservations, call the West Valley College Fine Arts Dept., 867-2200, ext. 320.

• **Annual Messiah Sing**
Sing-along with the Schola Cantorum.
Monday, Dec. 17, 7:30 p.m., Flint Center, Cupertino.
Tickets: $4 — general admission. Available at Flint Center Box Office, 996-4816.

• **Germania Christmas Chorus**
Performed by the Germania Mixed Choir.
Saturday, Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m., Germania Hall, 261 N. First St., San Jose.
Tickets: $3.50. For reservation, call the Germania Hall, 279-9652, or 292-0291.

• **Babes in Toyland**
Presented by the San Jose Children's Musical Theater, 43 E. St. James St., San Jose.
Dec. 14, 15, 16, 21, and 22.
For ticket information and show times, call the theater, 377-7606, or 288-5434.

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• *Postcards* can make a very personalized gift. Just put your prints on postcard mounts (heavy paper, coated with adhesive and printed for postcard backs). If you have your own darkroom, print your cards on heavyweight paper. Or buy a rubber stamp that will make any print serve as a postcard by stamping the back side.

• *Stationery* with a child's photo, a scenic spot, or a close-up of a flower or any foliage can be reproduced on 4x6 inch, 100-page note pads. Buy envelopes in a size and color to match.

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• **Holiday Dreams**
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Mondays through Fridays, Nov. 30 through Dec. 20, 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. One Saturday performance, Dec. 8, 11 a.m. Sunnyvale Performing Arts Center, 550 E. Remington Ave., Sunnyvale.
Tickets: $1.50 in advance; $2 at the door. For reservations, call the Sunnyavle Performing Arts Center Box Office, 245-9731.

• **Holiday Revue**
Presented by the Santa Clara Junior Theater.
Wednesday, Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m., Santa Clara Community and Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara.
Free admission. For reservations, call 984-3275.

• **"The Boy Who Laughed at Santa Claus" and "Foolish Fir Tree"**
Presented by the Phantasy Company. Performance is one hour long and includes audience participation.
Saturday, Dec. 1, 11 a.m., Sunnyvale Community Center, 550 E. Remington Ave., Sunnyvale.
Tickets: $1.50.
Performances will be repeated in a half-hour version at the Valley Fair Shopping Center in the center of the mall behind Macy's. Saturdays and Sundays, Dec. 1, 2, 22, 23; 1:30, 2:30, 3:30. Free admission. Santa Claus will be on hand to visit with children.

• 27th Annual Christmas Pageant
Event includes music, dance, and acrobats for children.
Monday through Friday, Dec. 17 through 21.
For performance times, and ticket information, call the San Jose Convention Visitors' Bureau, 998-7000, ext. 27.

• Godspell
Performed by the Palo Alto Children's Theater, Palo Alto Children's Theater, 1301 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto.
Friday, Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 8, 2:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday, Dec. 12, 13, 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 15, 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday, Dec. 19, 20, 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 21, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 22, 2:30 p.m.
Tickets: $1 — adults; 50 cents — children under age 18. For reservations, call the ticket box office, 329-2623 Wednesday through Saturday between 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. For more information, call 329-2216.

Christmas Ballet

• **Nutcracker**
Presented by the San Jose Dance Theater.
Friday, Dec. 21, 8 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 22, 2 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 23, 1 p.m., 6 p.m.; Monday, Dec. 24, 2 p.m.; Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2 p.m. , San Jose Center for the Performing Arts, 255 Almaden Blvd., San Jose.
Tickets: $8, $7 and $5.50. For reservations, call the San Jose Box Office, 246-1160.

• **Nutcracker**
Presented by the Theater Ballet of San Francisco.
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Dec. 19, 20, 21, 8 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, Dec. 22, 23, 2 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 23; 7 p.m., Flint Center, Cupertino.
Tickets: $9.50, $8.50, $7.50. Available at Flint Center Box Office, 996-4816.

Planetarium Christmas Presentations

• **The Christmas Skies around the World**
Fridays, Dec. 14, 20, 27, West Valley College Planetarium, 14000 Fruitvale Ave., Saratoga.
Tickets: $2 — general admission; $1 — seniors, students. For show times, call the West Valley College Community Services Dept., 378-9415.

• **Star of the Magi**
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Tickets: $1.50 — adults; $2 — seniors, students. For more information, call Minolta Planetarium, 996-4814.

Christmas Dance

• **Holiday Celebration Dance for Adults**
Sponsored by the Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Dept. Features a radio disc-jockey, and light refreshments will be served.
Santa Clara Community Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara.
Tickets: $3 per couple, $1.50 if single. Adults only. For exact time of dance, call 984-3257.

Christmas Faires

If for some reason, the Christmas rush prevents you from attending any of these other festivities, the annual "Christmas Lane Show" at the Santa Clara County Holiday Faire will more than make up for it; there is entertainment galore scheduled!
The 18th Annual Christmas Lane Show is held at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, 344 Tully Road, San Jose, Dec. 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Featured are dancers, musicians, ice shows, marionette shows, country music, fashion shows, and countless displays, craftmaking demonstrations, and varied exhibits by people of all ages.
For more information about the Christmas Lane Show, contact the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, 295-3050.
Enjoy this month of Yuletide festivities!

'CHRISTMAS SWEETS' RECIPES
From our readers

Walnut Christmas Toffee

1 cup butter (may be part margarine)
1 cup granulated sugar
1 tbsp. white corn syrup
3 tbsp. water
1½ cups chopped walnuts or pecans (fairly fine)
1 6 oz. package semi-sweet chocolate morsels

Melt butter in saucepan. Stir in sugar gradually. Add syrup and water, cook at moderate heat to 290°F. (crack stage), stirring often. Pour on waxed paper on cookie sheet. When cool, frost with melted chocolate chips (melt in double boiler) and sprinkle with nuts, first on one side, and then on the other.

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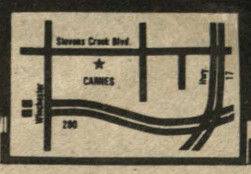

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'CHRISTMAS SWEETS' RECIPES
From our readers

Ribbon Fudge

- 3 cups sugar
- ¾ cup margarine
- ⅔ cup (5⅓ oz.) evaporated milk
- 6 oz. semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 7 oz. jar marshmallow creme
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- ½ cup peanut butter

Combine 1½ cups sugar, 6 tablespoons margarine, and ⅓ cup milk in heavy 1½ quart saucepan; bring to a full rolling boil, stirring constantly. Continue boiling 4 minutes over medium heat, stirring constantly to prevent scorching. Remove from heat; stir in chocolate pieces until melted. Add 1 cup marshmallow creme and ½ tsp. vanilla; beat until well blended. Pour into greased 13"x9" pan. Repeat with remaining ingredients, substituting peanut butter for chocolate chips. Spread over chocolate layer. Cool at room temperature; cut into squares. Makes 3 pounds.

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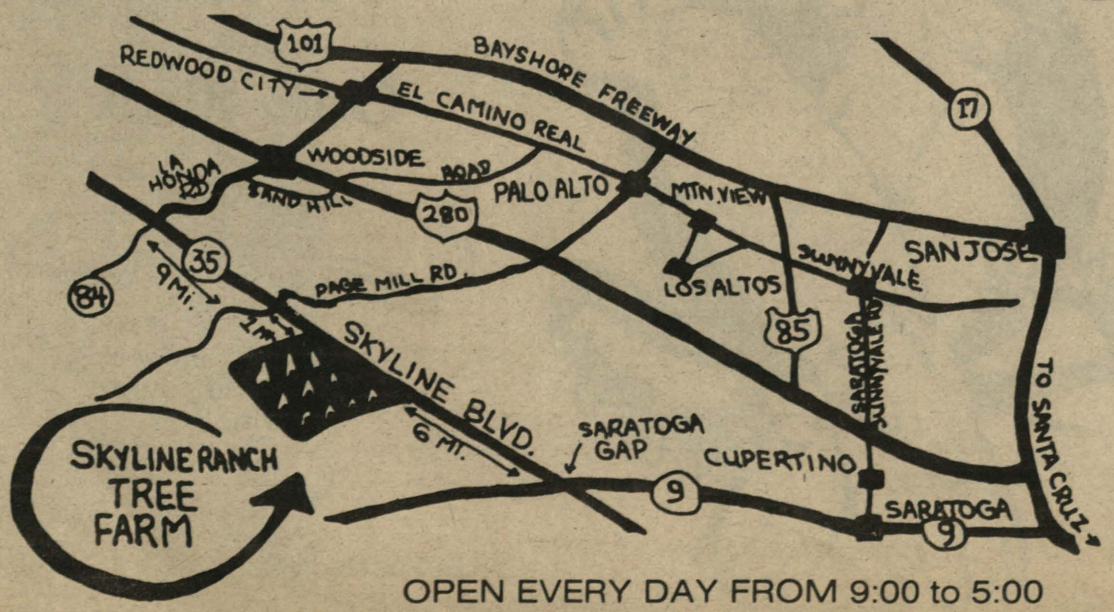

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Start by mixing up a large batch of gingerbread dough and store it in the freezer to set for an hour or so.

Next, sketch simple paper patterns for each puppet — one shape for the body and head, and separate shapes for legs and arms. Some figures are from the traditional cast of Christmas characters, or you can design your own shapes from comic book heroes.

Arrange paper patterns on ¼-inch slabs of dough; carefully cut out with a toothpick. Add holes where arms and legs are joined to the body.

Cookies are baked and cooled, then painted with tinted icing. When icing shapes are completely dry, puppet pieces are joined with twists of pipe cleaner held in place with gumdrops. Colorful strings and crossed slats are added; puppets are ready to wrap or perform!

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Cookie puppets

Materials: For cookie dough—6 cups flour, 1 cup butter *or* margarine, 2 cups brown sugar, 2 eggs, 1 cup milk, 1 tsp. vanilla, 1 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. baking soda, 1 tsp baking powder. For frosting—1 lb. confectioners' sugar, 3 egg whites, ⅛ tsp. cream of tartar; food coloring in red, yellow, orange, blue, green, and purple; small gumdrops; pipe cleaners; six 8-inch sticks; colored string for hanging; white glue; waxed paper; paintbrushes.

Directions: To make cookie dough, cream butter; add sugar. Beat till fluffy. Add vanilla and eggs. Mix. Stir in milk. Sift together flour, salt, baking soda, and baking powder. Mix till thoroughly blended. Cover and freeze at least 30 minutes.

Keep dough refrigerated, taking out 1 cup dough at a time for each puppet. (Cold dough is more manageable.) Place chilled dough between 2 sheets of waxed paper. Roll dough to about ¼-inch thickness.

Design your own cookie puppet patterns on tracing paper. Basic puppets consist of head and body (5 inches long by 2½ inches wide), 2 arms (3½ inches long), and 2 legs (4 inches long). Draw patterns onto flattened dough with a toothpick. Make holes for joining pieces later. Remove excess dough. Bake on foil-lined cookie sheet in a 400° oven for 10 minutes or until light brown. Let the puppets cool before removing them from the foil-covered cookie sheet.

Mix all icing ingredients till smooth. Divide icing into seven small bowls. Add food coloring to all but one bowl. As you "paint" the cookies, keep the icings covered to avoid drying out and becoming too difficult to spread. For puppet details, use toothpicks.

To connect sections: Cut four 3-inch lengths of pipe cleaners. Form a small loop in one end of the cleaner; bend it back toward the cleaner at a 90-degree angle. Thread the pipe cleaners through the parts to be connected from the cookie backs. Place a gumdrop over the blunt end of the pipe cleaner to hold it in place.

To string puppets: Place cookies on flat surface, with arms and legs hanging down. Using square knots, tie strings to ends of puppet limbs and to hole in the head. Cut strings so they all extend 12 inches above the puppet head. For extra strength, place a dab of white glue on top of the knot.

Drill a hole ½ inch from end of each stick and another hole in middle of each stick. Cross sticks; bring puppet head string through center stick holes; tie to upper stick, using a square knot. Bring arm strings up through ends of 1 stick, leg strings to the other. Secure in place with square knots; add white glue to knots. Allow to dry.

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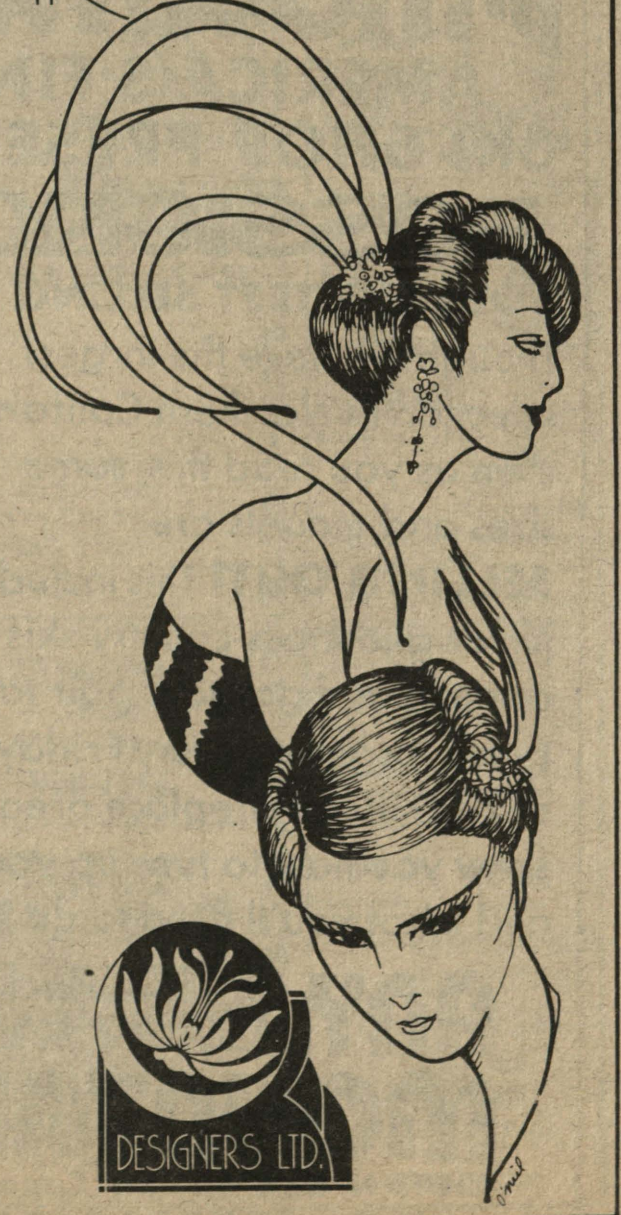

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Holiday hints: some sharp strategies to get you through the season -- easily

Holiday Hint 1

Plant life after Christmas

Poinsettia

Keeping your poinsettia as a green plant year after year is easy. It's a little trickier to make it bloom again, but it can be done. The long blooming variety will usually stay bright until spring. If yours quits early, cut back, stop watering.

In the spring, cut back the long bloomer, repot, fertilize, and water thoroughly. Put it near a sunny window or outside for the summer. In the fall, keep it near a sunny window during the day and in the dark at night. It should bloom again sometime during the holiday season.

Amaryllis

Most "Christmas" amaryllis are specially treated so they will bloom during the winter, but they'll bloom early only once. After that, they revert to flowering in late spring or early summer.

To get ready for the next cycle, cut back the flower stalks after the last flower fades. Set the pot in a sunny window in the spring and throughout the summer. Feed and water as needed. Do not overwater.

In the fall, withhold both water and light, letting it die down. Then take the bulb out of the soil and store it in a dry place until February. Repot and resume watering.

Norfolk Island pine

This is a delicate looking evergreen that grows best in indirect sunlight when the room temperature is between 60 and 70 degrees.

It will keep its beautiful symmetrical shape only if you rotate it 180 degrees every week. Keep the soil evenly moist; water sparingly.

Holiday Hint 2

Stand-in Christmas tree — your plant's hidden talent

You don't have to splurge and buy a spruce or fir to have a Christmas tree. Among your houseplants you may have the perfect "tree" to decorate for the holidays.

Taller, woody stemmed plants like Ficus benjamina, palms, citrus trees, Norfolk Island pines are ideal. They can hold featherweight trimmings like ribbon bows, small glass ornaments, tiny candy canes, popcorn strings, tinsel ropes, and miniature Italian white lights.

Your leafier greenery can be draped with the lightest of tinsel and paper cutouts. If you keep the ornaments lightweight and don't punch holes in the greenery, just about anything goes.

Holiday Hint 3

Shopping without pain

If you'd rather not join the gift-buying stampede in the shops, try a new approach this year.

Don't go to the store

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from gift catalogs by phone (leave ample time to send back any disappointments and then reorder, if necessary).

Shop defensively

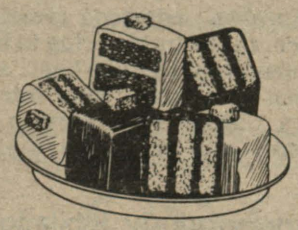
Go to the store when the crowds are thinnest — supper hour, right at opening time, when the weather's disagreeable. If you find one great gift, get it for everybody on your list who'll love it. Carry addresses and gift cards so you can save time and have the store send out what you buy immediately. Phone ahead instead of tramping around to several stores.

Holiday Hint 4

Party idea — rent a movie

Full-length feature films, from antique to fairly current, can be rented for private screening in your home. Look under "film rental" in the Yellow Pages. They've got the films to rent at reasonable rates, especially if you can split the bill.

Projectors and screens rent separately from audiovisual supply stores. If you've got a smooth, blank white wall, you can skip the screen. You could even wire in your stereo speakers and put them up front to beef up the sound, since the projector's speakers are usually behind the audience. Rent extra folding chairs if you need more seating in your home theater. You can even serve bags of popcorn to your guests, if you want a theater atmosphere.



Holiday Hint 5

Some things you don't want to know about holiday eating

When you look at tables full of holiday food and drink and all you can see are calories, you need a little help deciding what to munch on and what to pass by. Here are some calories counts on common holiday foods to help you choose the least of all those evils:

One serving of	Calories
Frosted sugar cookie	86
Pfeffernusse	72
Chocolate Santa	468
Divinity	102
Caramel	42
Gumdrop	35
Peanut brittle	110
Candy cane	109
Fudge	330
Fruitcake	230
Bread pudding	400
Hard sauce	100
Whipped cream	98
Pumpkin pie	321
Pecan pie	577
Mincemeat pie	428
Liederkranz	85
White wine	50
Red wine	52
Scotch and water	105
Eggnog	156

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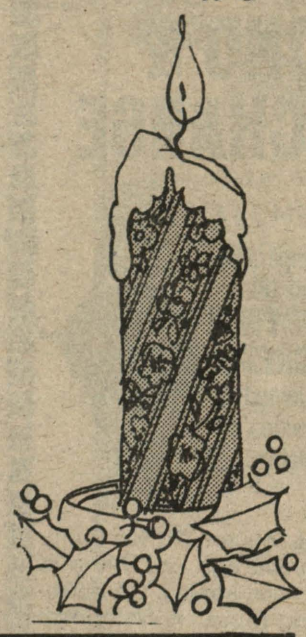

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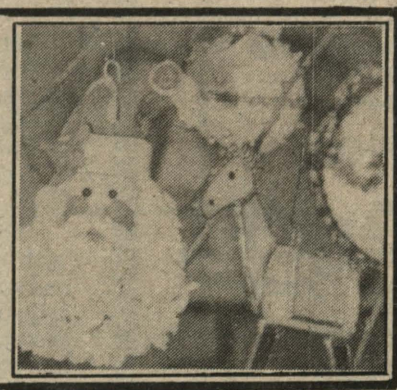

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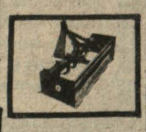

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In large saucepan, combine pineapple juice, sugar, lime juice, and nutmet; bring to boiling, stirring till sugar dissolves. Reduce heat; stir in wine. Heat through but *do not boil*. Pour into heat-proof glasses or mugs. Garnish each serving with cinnamon stick stirrer and pineapple wedge. Makes about 9 cups.

Cherry Burgundy Jubilation

1 cup unsweetened frozen dark sweet cherries from loose-pack package
½ cup cherry brandy or kirsch
¼ cup sugar
1 teaspoon whole allspice
1 teaspoon whole cloves
1 fifth (3¼ cups) burgundy
½ cup cherry brandy or kirsch
1 pint vanilla ice cream

In small bowl, combine cherries and the first ½ cup cherry brandy; set aside. Tie spices in cheesecloth. In saucepan, combine sugar, spice bag, and burgundy. Simmer for 10 minutes. Remove spices. Stir in cherry mixture; heat through. Pour into heat-proof bowl. Warm the remaining ½ cup cherry brandy. Ignite and pour into punch. When flame subsides, pour into mugs. Top with small scoop of vanilla ice cream. Serve with demitasse spoons or cocktail picks for cherries. Makes 6 servings.

Bananas Foster Cup

2 cups milk
3 medium bananas, cut up
2 cups milk-based banana liqueur
¼ cup packed brown sugar
¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon
Dash ground nutmeg
½ cup rum
Whipped cream

In blender container, combine milk and bananas. Blend till smooth, about 1 minute. In saucepan, combine milk mixture, banana liqueur, brown sugar, ground cinnamon, and nutmeg. Heat through but do not boil, stirring to dissolve sugar. Pour into heat-proof bowl. Warm rum; ignite and stir into punch. Serve when flame subsides. Ladle into footed mugs. Top with whipped cream and a sprinkling of additional brown sugar and cinnamon. Serves 6 to 8.

Spiced Fruit Pot

2 21-ounce cans cherry pie filling
2 cups water
1 cup sugar
½ cup dry sherry
2 teaspoons lemon peel
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
¼ teaspoon ground cloves
1 11-ounce package (3 cups) dried apricots, cut up
1 cup golden raisins
1 20-ounce can pineapple tidbits, undrained

In Dutch oven, combine first eight ingredients. Add apricots, raisins, and pineapple with syrup. Bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 45 minutes. Serve warm as compote* or refrigerate for other recipes. Makes 9½ cups. *To serve as a compote, remove needed amount and stir in more wine till of desired consistency.

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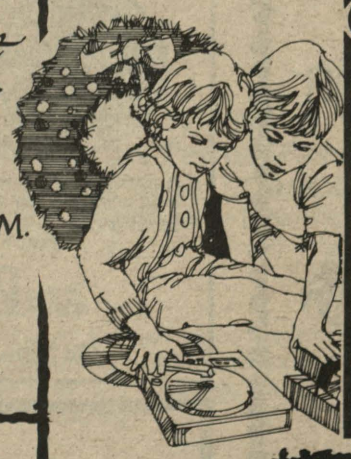

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You can easily duplicate the prancing pinecone reindeer. Purchase a papier-mache form. (Deer come in three sizes; ours measures 15x18 inches, others are 22x20 and 28x20 inches.)

To cover the reindeer, slice pinecone petals from large cones. Using an electric glue gun, attach petals onto the papier-mache base. Start at the feet, then follow the contour of the body until mache base is completely covered. It's best to set the reindeer aside and let it stand overnight before attaching to the wreath of greens.

When reindeer is anchored securely with heavy-gauge wire, spark the wreath with color by attaching two red ribbon bows with green chenille stems. Intersperse red and green balls, pinecones in their natural state, and some artificial foliage affixed to the wreath with florists' wire.

After the holidays are over, you may wish to remove the reindeer and frame it as you would a three-dimensional wood carving.

A shiny wreath and geometric shapes of silver foil (available at most art supply stores or theatrical shops) perk up a snack center. To make the wreath, cut an 18-inch circle of lightweight cardboard, then cut a 7-inch circle from the center to form a foundation for the wreath.

Cut about 100 7-inch leaf shapes from any shiny colored material, making a slit in stem end of each leaf. Staple one side of slit over the other to give a three-dimensional effect. Attach leaves to cardboard by stapling in overlapping fashion.

Fruit appetizers and dips are temptingly displayed in a variety of non-matching crystal goblets on the snack table — an ingenious way to use leftover stemware.

No matter where you live, a decorated-for-Christmas wreath is as traditional as a sweetly sung carol.

Open space above a mantel calls for a colorful oversize wreath that lights up, or you can omit the strings of lights if you prefer. The conventional charmer measures 30 inches in diameter and has clusters of grapes, cherries, berries, sprigs of flocked green, pods, and strawflowers interspersed among green boxwood foliage that is anchored to a wire wreath frame.

Attach the light strings to the wreath with chenille stems; then tie a green velvet bow at the top, allowing enough ribbon for the streamers down the center.

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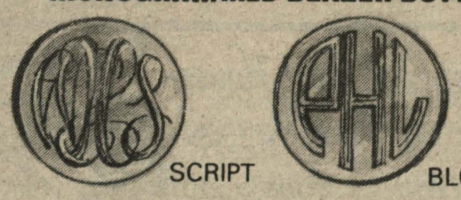

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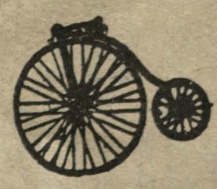

Wreaths...

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A collection of naturals from nature will reap a rich harvest when it comes to dramatizing a brick wall with a sculptured wreath, like ours.

Cover a 36-inch wire ring with greens or purchase a green wreath from your florist. Trim with any available natural material, then wrap lengths of red ribbon in place.

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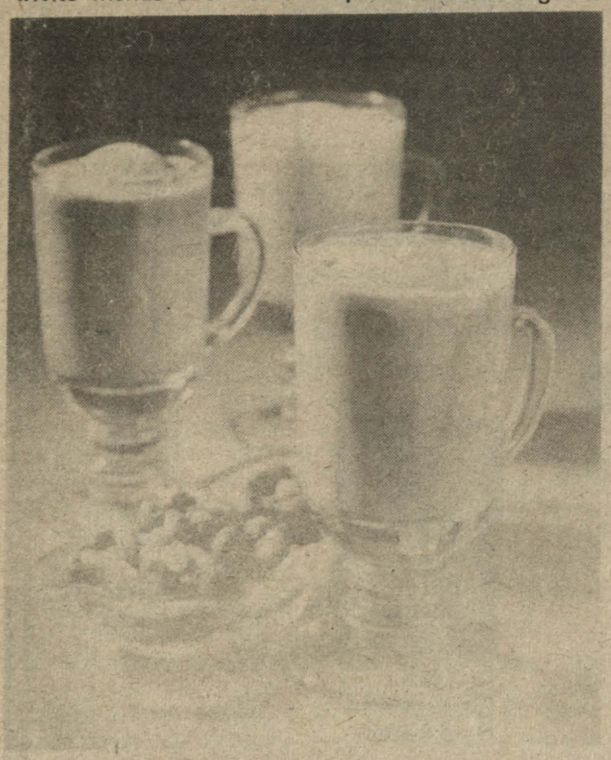
Warming punches: a cup of good cheer

When the chill of winter sets in, it's time to invite friends over for a cup of good cheer. Whether the occasion is an open house or a get-together after skiing or sledding, everyone will welcome a warming beverage. These punches, some alcoholic and some not, are easy to stir together and serve. And once they're made, the hostess gets to mingle. Accompaniments are easy, too — just have nibbles on hand such as cheese, crackers, nuts, or popcorn. Cheers!



Mocha Toddies

Mix the mocha base ahead and refrigerate. To serve, just add hot milk and ice cream —

1 2-ounce jar (¾ cup) instant coffee crystals
¼ cup hot water
1 16-ounce can (1½ cups) chocolate syrup
1 cup rum
1 tablespoon vanilla
Hot milk
Vanilla ice cream

In mixing bowl, combine coffee crystals and water; stir to dissolve the coffee crystals. Add chocolate syrup, rum, and vanilla. Store, covered, in refrigerator. To serve, stir 2 tablespoons mocha base into ¾ cup hot milk in mug. Top with ice cream. Makes 2¾ cups mocha base for 22 servings.

Spiced Percolator Punch

You'll need a large coffeepot —

2 32-ounce bottles cranberry juice cocktail
1 46-ounce can unsweetened pineapple juice
1 cup packed brown suger
4 teaspoons whole cloves
12 inches stick cinnimon, broken
Peel of ¼ orange, cut in strips
1 fifth (3¼ cups) light rum

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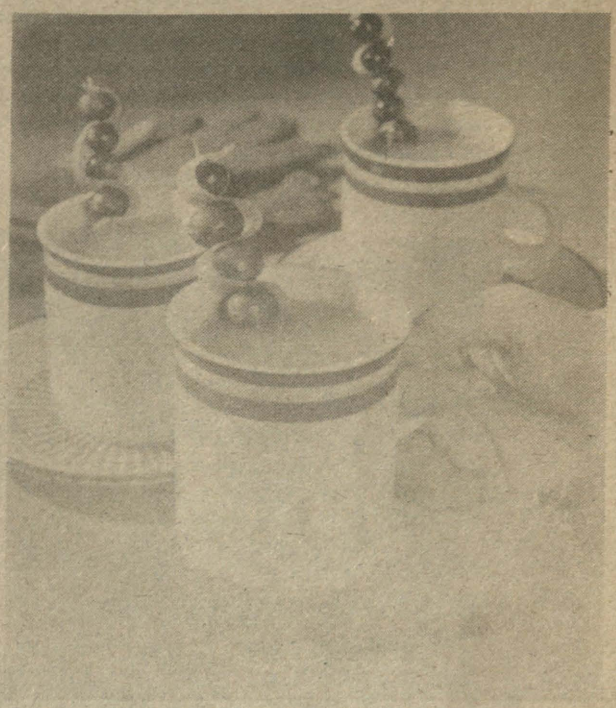

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Punches . . .

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Hot Buttered Pineapple Punch

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- 1 46-ounce can unsweetened pineapple juice
- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ cup lime juice
- ¼ tsp. ground nutmeg
- 1 fifth (3¼ cups) dry white wine
- Butter

In large saucepan, combine pineapple juice, sugar, lime juice, and nutmeg; bring to boiling, stirring till sugar dissolves. Reduce heat; stir in wine. Heat through but do not boil. Pour into heatproof glasses or mugs; float a pat of butter on each. Serve cinnamon stick stirrer with each glass, if desired. Makes about 9 cups.

Cider-Citrus Punch

This super blend of fruit juices will make a hit with young and old alike. For a festive flair, garnish the individual drinks with cocktail picks speared with fresh cranberries and an accordion strip of lemon peel —

- 1 gallon (16 cups) apple cider or apple juice
- 1 6-ounce can frozen lemonade concentrate
- 1 6-ounce can frozen orange juice concentrate
- ½ cup packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon whole cloves
- 1 tablespoon whole allspice

In large kettle, combine the cider or apple juice, undiluted concentrates, and the brown sugar. Stir till concentrates thaw and sugar dissolves. Tie cloves and allspice in cheesecloth bag; add to cider. Cover and simmer 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove spice bag and discard. Serve punch hot. Makes about 18 cups of punch.

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Recovering from a heart attack a few years ago which put him out of work, his doctor advised him to find something to occupy his time.

That advice and his landing a part-time job at a light fixture shop has evolved into a business which will "gross a million," says Jack.

"We started with one person, myself," he said. Now J.M. White Lighting Company at 3034 Scott Blvd. in Santa Clara employs six people and brings customers from as far away as Hawaii.

A second shop opened last month under his name in Foster City to cater to customers in the Mid-peninsula.

To the south, people interested in the wide assortment of lighting fixtures available through the store can expect a third shop in the Monterey and Carmel area in about a year and a half.

Customers have a choice of the 400 light fixtures in the showroom and the myriad fixtures available through his catalogues.

Some of the most interesting fixtures are the shining ornate brass Victorian ceiling fans spinning overhead. Available with or without lamps, these fans not only provide lighting and decoration, but are functional as well. The rotation can be reversed to draw or blow air. The fans come from one of the best manufacturers of such fans, according to Jack.

Whether or not people purchase items from Jack, they all will admit his honesty, which reveals itself in his outspokenness and his plain bluntness.

Pointing to a modern-styled fixture featuring scores of tiny lamps burning within hanging acrylic strips, he said it is nice as long as it is turned on but when it is switched off, "it looks like junk." He would not recommend such a lamp to hang anywhere it would not be burning all the time.

Direct straight talking and fair pricing is probably what allows him to keep up with the stiff competition with other similar shops in the county.

He has no reservations in recommending that customers try other shops if they disagree with his pricing or policies. Many of them who take him up on the advice return realizing Jack's firm, sincere and often wry honesty.

"We don't try to sell customers anything," said Jack, who explained that is the reason he does not commission his salespersons. He avoids pressure tactics. He keeps his experienced employees happy with a very reasonable salary.

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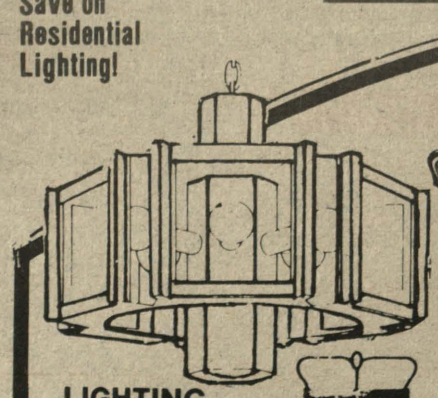

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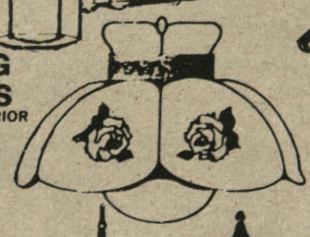

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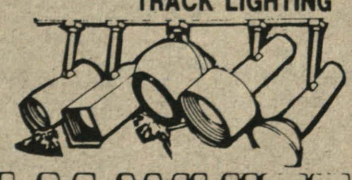

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